

UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JULY 17, 2022

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Hot and dry conditions persisted in Utah last week, although a few areas received isolated but beneficial moisture, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Topsoil moisture level conditions rated adequate to surplus decreased from 29 percent last week to 26 percent. According to the United States Drought Monitor for July 14, 2022, 100 percent of the State continues to experience drought conditions. Extreme drought conditions are affecting 83 percent of the State, unchanged from last week, and 8 percent of the State is facing exceptional drought conditions. Several counties reported short irrigation water supplies. Beaver and Box Elder Counties reported producers continued their second cutting of alfalfa hay. Box Elder County reported wheat and barley harvest began and tart cherry harvest made excellent progress. Iron County reports noted some localities received good moisture, but conditions remained windy and temperatures were hot. Second cutting of alfalfa progressed in the county. Washington County reported spotty precipitation was confined to higher elevations and rangeland grass was short due to drought. Statewide, the first cutting of other hay is 94 percent complete. The second cuttings of alfalfa hay and other hay are 33 percent complete and 15 percent complete, respectively. Statewide, barley headed is at 91 percent complete and barley harvested is at 6 percent complete, respectively. Statewide, winter wheat harvested is at 14 percent complete. Hay and roughage supplies were rated 17 percent very short, 26 percent short, 55 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus, compared to 24 percent very short, 30 percent short, and 46 percent adequate last week. Stock water supplies were rated 16 percent very short, 40 percent short, and 44 percent adequate, compared to 11 percent very short, 35 percent short, and 54 percent adequate last week. Irrigation water supplies were rated 17 percent very poor, 29 percent poor, 30 percent fair, and 24 percent good, compared to 13 percent very poor, 30 percent poor, 34 percent fair, and 23 percent good last week.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay				
2 nd cutting harvested	33	20	41	43
Barley				
Headed	91	89	97	NA
Harvested	6	2		7
Corn				
Silked	2		11	7
Other hay				
1 st cutting harvested	94	89	93	NA
2 nd cutting harvested	15	8	11	NA
Tart cherries				
Harvested	15		65	26
Winter wheat				
Harvested	14	3	13	11

NA – not available3

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DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork	6.9	6.9	6.6	6.8
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	32	28	41	18
Short	42	43	54	43
Adequate	26	29	5	39
Surplus				
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	33	19	40	17
Short	39	41	40	37
Adequate	28	40	20	46
Surplus				

NA – not available

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CROP, LIVESTOCK, AND PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay	,	, ,	. ,	, ,
Very poor	1		11	2
Poor	12	11	15	6
Fair	30	36	28	24
Good	47	46	46	61
Excellent	10	7		7
Barley	10	'		'
Very poor			9	2
Poor	3		14	3
	38	32	37	28
Fair		_	-	56
Good	47	46	40	
Excellent	12	22		11
Corn				
Very poor				
Poor	3	1	4	2
Fair	36	44	28	24
Good	53	41	62	64
Excellent	8	14	6	10
Other hay				
Very poor	1		12	3
Poor	6	2	16	7
Fair	29	37	27	27
Good	58	58	45	58
Excellent	6	3		5
Pasture and range				
Very poor	11	11	25	11
Poor	30	24	47	20
Fair	26	27	26	33
Good	33	38	2	30
Excellent				6
Winter wheat				
Very poor	16	14	17	8
Poor	19	17	37	21
Fair	32	22	27	34
	26	35	13	31
Good	7	12	6	6
Excellent	1	12	О	0
Cattle and calves				
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Very poor	2	1	8	2 3
Poor		11	11	_
Fair	24	19	36	21
Good	70	68	45	67
Excellent	4	1		7
Sheep and lambs			_	
Very poor			7	1
Poor	2	2	10	3
Fair	29	22	35	23
Good	64	69	48	65
Excellent	5	7		8

NA – not available (--) – zero